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In re Application of:

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For: Method to Selectively Fill

Recesses with Conductive

Metal

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 19, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the Specification as follows:

Page 7, first paragraph under "Best and Various Modes for Carrying Out Invention":

In accordance with the present invention, recesses 2 such as troughs and vias are provided on at least one major surface of a semiconductor substrate 13. Typical semiconductor substrates include silicon and group III-V semiconductors. Electrical insulation 3 is provided over the major surface and in the recesses such as silicon